

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET  
REGISTRATION SERVICE  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Council No. 249

Date 8/10/88

Full Name J. Reed Dowdle

Social Security  
Number \_\_\_\_\_

(no initials if you can possibly get full name)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City Bridgewater

State MA

Zip Code 02324

Date of Birth 6/1/28

(This is important and should be exact.)

Approximate age 60

(To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known.)

Religion LDS

Nationality \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation Construction -self

Education \_\_\_\_\_

Weight \_\_\_\_\_

Height \_\_\_\_\_

Race \_\_\_\_\_

Color of hair \_\_\_\_\_

Color of eyes \_\_\_\_\_

Outstanding characteristics or interests \_\_\_\_\_

Married or single \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_

(Number, ages, and names, if possible)

Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_

Scouting connections:

Chartered organization \_\_\_\_\_

Unit No.

City

State

Position

Date registered

Date resigned

Special recognition \_\_\_\_\_

Suspended or denied registration for following reasons: Molestation of a youth

Reed (or Reid) Dowdle of Eugene, Oregon, council 697 10 years ago, moved to Boise area of Idaho, Council 106, then to Jordan, Utah, Council 590, and is currently in the Boston area, Council 227, convicted of molestation.

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND DENIAL OF REGISTRATION, INCLUDING HOW THE INFORMATION CAME TO THE COUNCIL'S ATTENTION, AND LIST ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (STATE ONLY KNOWN FACTS, NOT RUMOR, CONJECTURE, OR SPECULATION):

CONFIDENTIAL

NOTED

AUG 10 1988

SEP 15 88

F. STARON

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JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Signed Registration/National

SCOUT EXECUTIVE


Council For Council # 249

CONF021871

# WATS CALL FORM

CALL BACK REQUESTED 1

COUNCIL # 245

PHONE NO: ~~XXXX~~ - 

CALLER: Don Kenhardt

POSITION: SE

## TYPE OF PROBLEM

REGISTRATION \_\_\_\_\_

VETERANS \_\_\_\_\_

EXPLORING \_\_\_\_\_

SCOUTING \_\_\_\_\_

BOYS' LIFE \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT #

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Re: J. Reed Howdle

SERVING AS I.H.

TALKED TO SE - NOT REGISTERED  
ANYWHERE ELSE - SAME PERSON  
RETURNING INQUIRY.

WHEN INQUIRY COMES IN -  
CONTACT PARK - CAN WE  
REFUSE I.H.?

NAME PC

DATE 12-5-89

TIME \_\_\_\_\_

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Sponsored by LDS Church

September 19, 1983

Mr. Michael Kiernan  
Scout Executive  
Old Colony Council, No. 249

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: J. Reed (Reid) Lowdie

Dear Mike:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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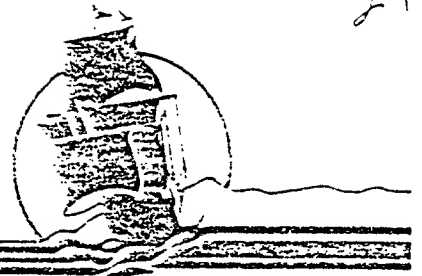
cc: Northeast Region

READY TO FILE  
SEP 19 1988  
ERIN O'RILEY

CONF021874

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Old Colony  
Council  
Boy Scouts of America



2438 Washington Street, Canton, MA 02021 (617) 828-8360

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

August 1, 1988

*Added to CF file  
8/9/88  
cm*

PERSONAL

Mr. Paul Ernst  
Registration & Subscription Service  
Boy Scouts of America  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
PO Box 152079  
Irving TX 75015-2079

Dear Paul,

Enclosed please find a photocopy of a registration application for Mr. J. Reed Dowdle which was submitted to us on September 25, 1987. The registration was not processed because we were awaiting more action by the area's L.D.S. church leadership before setting up a relationships committee.

Information provided by Mr. Dowdle includes previous Scouting background in Jim Bridger Council and his birth date 6/1/28.

A check to telephone co. director assistance suggests that the telephone number shown is not currently correct.

Sincerely,

*Myron H. Rust*  
Myron H. Rust  
Field Director

# ADULT APPLICATION

PLEASE PRINT ONE LETTER IN EACH SPACE—  
PRESS HARD, YOU ARE MAKING THREE COPIES.

**FIRST NAME AND INITIAL**

J	R	e	d
D	O	m	e

ADDM88-97AET OR R.F.D.

[illegible]

ADDITIONAL ADDRESS INFORMATION (if necessary)

[illegible]

city

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**CIRCLE 10 ON CARD**

8/25/07	District Explorer Chairman	Jim Bridger
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**PHONE**

Construction Self

OCCUPATION, EMPLOYER, AND BUSINESS ADDRESS

REGISTRATION FEE	BOYS' LIFE FEE	TERM (MONTHS)	UNIT RENEWAL DATE

REGISTRATION FEE

MONTH		YEAR	
0	6	8	8

If applicant has an unexpired membership certificate, registration may be accomplished in this unit by a payment of 50 cents for processing the transfer. Check the box and attach certificate. It will be returned by the council.

[illegible]

**FOR COUNCIL USE:**  
**TRANSEEN FROM**

APPROVAL--SEE COVER

LOCAL COUNCIL COPY

Car

PHONE NO:

POSITION:

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VETERANS

## EXPLORING

SCOUTING

BOYS' LIFE

DIST. #

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FTIM #

you are that is not

For LTO IC Cassette

called [redacted]  
 me. [redacted] not letter  
 6-1-68 saw [redacted]  
 asked to what [redacted]  
 confirming as youth [redacted]  
 to him as [redacted] [redacted] 1-7-79  
 [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]  
 [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

TIME

R/S-433  
3/13/86-clf-567r

Tuesday 17 May 1988

To Whom It Concerns -

Soon after I married [REDACTED]  
on March 31, 1984 - he told me of sexual abuse  
he was a victim of at the ages of 12 and 13.

The man who sexually abused [REDACTED]  
was a "trusted" scout master - Reed Dardle.

[REDACTED] was from Eugene, OR and Reed had been,  
too but moved to Idaho - in or near Nampa.  
Two summers [REDACTED] parents sent him to Reed to  
learn the art of cabinet building - Reed is a cabinet  
builder.

During these summers (one or both) Reed  
slept in [REDACTED] bed with him and sexually abused  
him ... to what specific acts - I am unsure.  
[REDACTED] told me that Reed's wife walked in on ~~one~~  
the two of them in the process of these acts, yet the  
abuse continued.

Though [REDACTED] admits to being a victim of  
this abuse now - he denies the rest of what  
he told me earlier. The rest is that [REDACTED]  
abused the scoutmaster's, then infant, son while  
babysitting him.

Myself and our three children have suffered  
extensive physical, sexual, mental / emotional abuse  
at [REDACTED] hands. This past sexual abuse of [REDACTED]  
is definitely a major factor. The chain must  
be broken !!!

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]





National Office  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

1325 Walnut Hill Lane, Irving, Texas 75038-3096  
Telephone: 214-580-2000

May 3, 1988

Mr. Daniel M. O'Neill  
Scout Executive  
Cambridge Council, No. 229

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Reed Dowdle

Dear Daniel:

We recently received information through a phone call from a lady who indicated that her son had been molested some years ago by an individual by the above name. Apparently, this man was in Eugene, Oregon, later in Idaho and Utah, and is supposedly living in Boston at the present time.

We do not find him registered on any of our records, but wondered if anyone might know him. We really do not have enough information to place him on the confidential file, but would like to do some investigation to see whether or not we do have a problem and a concern.

Please let me know if you can be of any help to us.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

mdg

cc: Northeast Region

3/25/88

Paul

This name is not  
known to us. Will  
keep our eyes open.

Dan Neill

PLEASE NOTE NEW MAILING ADDRESS:

Boy Scouts of America, 1325 Walnut Hill Lane, P.O. Box 152079, Irving, Texas 75015-2079

CONF021879

WATS CALL FORM

@ approx 12:30 PM

CALL BACK REQUESTED \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL # 249

PHONE NO: [REDACTED]

CALLER: Michael Kernan

POSITION: SE

TYPE OF PROBLEM

REGISTRATION \_\_\_\_\_ VETERANS \_\_\_\_\_ EXPLORING \_\_\_\_\_  
SCOUTING \_\_\_\_\_ BOYS' LIFE \_\_\_\_\_

UNIT # DIST. # EXP. DATE TRANSMITTAL # FILM #

Confidential Re: Reed Donald DOWLE

MID-FIFTIES TO SIXTY  
LIVES IN BRIDGEWATER, MA.  
IS SAME MAN  
ACTIVE - NOT REGISTERED  
3rd IS SM  
GET INFO TO COUNCIL BOYS  
THEY WILL APPROACH

Not added to CF file pending  
further documentation

5/17/88  
cm

CALL LOG WITH INFO

CALLED [REDACTED] 5-17-88  
THE WILL TRY TO GET WRITTEN  
STATEMENTS

NAME [REDACTED]  
DATE 5/10  
TIME

R/S-433  
3/13/86-clf-567r

Pant

May 3, 1988

Mr. Robert L. Denlinger  
Scout Executive  
Algonquin Council, No. 241

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Reed Dowdle

Dear Bob:

We recently received information through a phone call from a lady who indicated that her son had been molested some years ago by an individual by the above name. Apparently, this man was in Eugene, Oregon, later in Idaho and Utah, and is supposedly living in Boston at the present time.

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Please let me know if you can be of any help to us.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

mdg

cc: Northeast Region

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ERIN ORILEY

CONF021881

May 3, 1988

Mr. Daniel M. O'Neill  
Scout Executive  
Cambridge Council, No. 229

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Reed Dowdle

Dear Daniel:

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Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

mdg

cc: Northeast Region

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MAY 04 1988  
ERIN O'RILEY

CONF021882

May 3, 1988

Mr. Adolf Andersen, Jr.  
Scout Executive  
Norumbega Council, No. 246

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Reed Dowdle

Dear Adolf:

We recently received information through a phone call from a lady who indicated that her son had been molested some years ago by an individual by the above name. Apparently, this man was in Eugene, Oregon, later in Idaho and Utah, and is supposedly living in Boston at the present time.

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Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

mdg

cc: Northeast Region

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ERIN ORILEY

CONF021883

May 3, 1988

Mr. Joseph G. Gallagher  
Scout Executive  
North Bay Council, No. 236

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Reed Dowdle

Dear Joseph:

We recently received information through a phone call from a lady who indicated that her son had been molested some years ago by an individual by the above name. Apparently, this man was in Eugene, Oregon, later in Idaho and Utah, and is supposedly living in Boston at the present time.

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Please let me know if you can be of any help to us.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

mdg

cc: Northeast Region

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ERIN ORILEY

CONF021884

May 3, 1988

Mr. Ronald K. Rogers  
Scout Executive  
Minuteman Council, No. 240

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Reed Dowdle

Dear Ronald:

We recently received information through a phone call from a lady who indicated that her son had been molested some years ago by an individual by the above name. Apparently, this man was in Eugene, Oregon, later in Idaho and Utah, and is supposedly living in Boston at the present time.

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Please let me know if you can be of any help to us.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

mdg

cc: Northeast Region

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MAY 04 1988  
ERIN O'BILEY

CONF021885

May 3, 1988

Mr. Michael Kiernan  
Scout Executive  
Old Colony Council, No. 249

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Reed Dowdle

Dear Mike:

We recently received information through a phone call from a lady who indicated that her son had been molested some years ago by an individual by the above name. Apparently, this man was in Eugene, Oregon, later in Idaho and Utah, and is supposedly living in Boston at the present time.

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Please let me know if you can be of any help to us.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

mdg

cc: Northeast Region

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MAY 04 1988  
ERIN O'RILEY

CONF021886





greater boston council

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

891 Centre Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02130  
617-522-4000

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- RCU

April 28, 1988

Mr. Paul I. Ernst  
Director  
Registration Service, B.S.A.  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
P.O. Box 152079  
Irving, TX 75015-2079

214  
208  
236

Dear Paul:

I have checked with our registrar, and assuming no alias, Mr. Dowdle is not affiliated with Scouting in our Council. I also will alert our field staff to be on alert, should he appear and/or express interest in affiliation.

Also, you may wish to send the same letter to surrounding councils <sup>229</sup> in the Boston area to be on watch. I'd suggest <sup>208</sup> Norumbega, <sup>236</sup> Cambridge, <sup>214</sup> Old Colony, <sup>241</sup> Algonquin, Minuteman and North Bay Councils. If he appears in Greater Boston Council, I'll let you know.

Also, I'm enclosing more updated hard copy on the Yale Zussman matter to update your file. He has requested a council review and President, Newman Flanagan has appointed an independent review committee.

Cordially,

*Erik*

Erik L. Nystrom  
Scout Executive



CONF021887

April 21, 1988

Mr. Erik L. Hystrom  
Scout Executive  
Greater Boston Council, No. 227

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Reed Dowdle

Dear Erik:

We recently received information through a phone call from a lady who indicated that her son had been molested some years ago by an individual by the above name. Apparently, this man was in Eugene, Oregon, later in Idaho and Utah, and is supposedly living in Boston at the present time.

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Please let me know if you can be of any help to us.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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cc: Northeast Region

*Not added to  
CF file. Pending  
further word from  
CO 4/22/88  
cm*

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APR 21 1988  
ERIN O'RILEY

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Telephone: 214-580-2000

*-PRV  
-PZUS*

March 16, 1988

To; Mr. Paul Ernst

FROM: Barclay Bollas

SUBJECT: Morals Allegations

A Mrs. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] called today to report a morals allegation.

Her son-in-law and daughter are involved currently in divorce proceedings. During the proceedings the son-in-law alleged that his abusive behavior may trace back to an extended period of molestation as a youth by his Scoutmaster.

Mrs. [REDACTED] identifies the Scoutmaster as one Reed (or Reid) Dowdle, then of Eugene, Ore., some 10 years ago. She says that Dowdle subsequently moved to the Boise area of Idaho, then to Jordan, Utah, and is currently in the Boston area. He apparently continued as a BSA volunteer in Idaho and Utah; she does not know whether he is now registered. *west - 590*

She says that he was associated in some way with the man in Eugene who has recently been convicted.

The son-in-law (above) is identified as [REDACTED]

She believes the BSA, now having been "formally notified", should prohibit Dowdle from further BSA activities if he is, indeed, registered. She is quite willing to provide additional substantiation for her allegations.

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*I could not  
locate any  
registration for  
him. 3-24-88*

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SCOUTING/USA

National Office  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

1325 Walnut Hill Lane, Irving, Texas 75038-3096  
Telephone: 214-580-2000

(For the file)

April 21, 1988

SUBJECT: REED DOWDLE

From: Paul Ernst

I called Jerry Dempsey, scout executive in Council No. 697, on April 14, 1988, asking for information concerning the above-named individual. He did some checking and could find no evidence of registration or other activity during the past ten or so years in his area.

Mr. Dempsey called me on April 20 and indicated the results of his check. I have now written to the Greater Boston Council to see if they can shed any light on this situation.

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration Service

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